**Meeting of the Departmental Council (JCM) OF DoPT**

2112. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the meeting of the Departmental Council (JCM) of Department of Personnel and Training has not taken place for the last one year, through the same is to be held quarterly;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by which date meeting would be held for disposing of the agenda, including the items pending for more than ten years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The 55th meeting of the Departmental Council (JCM) of Department of Personnel & Training was held in two sessions on 21.1.2000 and on 12.6.2000. The meeting was adjourned *sine die* owing to disagreement among the members of Staff Side on certain issues.

(c) Future meetings will be held after adequate agenda items and comments thereon from various ministries are received, at a time convenient to both the Staff Side and the Official Side in the inter-session periods.

**Allocation of funds to ISRO**

2113. SHRI R. S. GAVAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation of funds made in Indian Space Research Organisaton during each of the last three years;

(b) the various programmes launched by the ISRO during these years and funds spent thereon;

(c) the projects in which the ISRO achieved success;

(d) the details of the programmes proposed to be launched by ISRO during 2001-2002;

(e) whether any new tie-up has been made between Arianespace and ISRO; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The budget allocation for ISRO/DOS for the past three years is given below:

(Rs. in crores)

| Year | Budget allocation |
|---|---|
| 2000-2001 (Final Grant) | 1913.78 |
| 1999-2000 (Actuals) | 1677.39 |
| 1998-1999 (Actuals) | 1401.70 |

(b) The major programmes of ISRO during these three years and the funds spent thereon are:

* **Launch Vehicle development,** which includes GSLV project, PSLV continuation project, Second Launch Pad at Sriharikota and other R&D programmes. Funds spent during 1998-2001: Rs.1676.89 crores.

* **Satellite Development,** which includes IRS, IRS-P4 (Oceansat), IRS-P5 (Cartosat), IRS-P6 (Resourcesat), GSATs and other R&D programmes. Funds spent during 1998-2001: Rs. 508.01 crores.

* **INSAT Operational** which includes INSAT-2, INSAT-3 satellites & Master Control Facility. Funds spent during 1998-2001: Rs. 2058.15 crores.

* **Space science, applications & other programmes,** which includes National Natural Resources Management System, Remote Sensing Application programmes, GRAMSAT programme, space science research at Physical Research Laboratory, sponsored research and other application & R&D programmes. Funds spent during 1998-2001: Rs.749.82 crores.

**The major satellites launched during these three years are:**

* Launch and operationalisation of INSAT-2E satellite, the most advanced of the INSAT-2 satellites, on 3rd April, 1999.

* Launch and operationalisation of IRS-P4 satellite, the first oceanography satellite of India, onboard India's PSLV-C2 on 26th May, 1999.

* Launch and operationalisation of INSAT-3B satellite, the first satellite of the third generation INSAT-3 series, on 22nd March, 2000.

* First successful developmental flight of GSLV-D1 launching experimental GSAT-1 satellite into Geo-synchronous transfer orbit on 18th April, 2001.

(c) All the satellites and launch vehicles missions launched in these years have been successful and the satellites are functioning satisfactorily.

(d) Besides the first successful development flight of GSLV-DI which took place on 18th April, 2001, the major programmes proposed to be launched in 2001-02 include:

- Launch of Technology Experiment Satellite (TES) on board India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) to develop high resolution imaging technologies.

- Launch and operationalisation of INSAT-3C satellite to augment the capacity of INSAT system.

- Integration and testing of METSAT (Meteorological satellite) and INSAT-3A for launch during first half of 2002 for Meteorological and communication services.

(e) No new tie-up has been made between Arianespace and ISRO during the current year.

(f) Does not arise.